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SUBJ: SAG COMPLAINT CONCERNING J. LAWSON FELDER & CO.

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM SAG DEPUTY MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE TAHER OBAID CALLING ATTENTION TO FALS INFORMATION BEING DISSEMINATED BY WHAT IS EVIDENTLY A U.S. REAL ESTATE FIRM, J. LAWSON FELDER & CO., P.O. BOX 12005, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. REFERRING TO ENCLOSED COPIES OF TWO ADVERTISING CIRCULARS. OBAID STATES: "THE INFORMATION IS TOTALLY INACCURATE. IT STATES, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND WATER HAS ALLOCATED TWO BILLION DOLLARS FOR ACQUISITION OF U.S. AGRICULTURE PROPERTIES. THIS IS NOT TRUE. FELDER & CO. APPEARS TO BE ENCOURAGING REAL ESTATE AGENTS IN TEXAS TO COMBINE VARIOUS SMALL HOLDINGS TO CREATE EXTREMELY LARGE HOLDINGS OF 5000 TO 100,000 ACRES, THE SIZE UNITS THEY CLAIM THE MINISTRY INTENDS TO PURCHASE.

THE ENTIRE INFORMATION SHEET IS EXTREMELY NAIVE, INSIDIOUS AND IN POOR TASTE. AWARE OF YOUR EXCELLENCY'S KEEN INTEREST IN OUR AFFAIRS, I TRUST THAT A WAY CAN BE FOUND TO INFORM HE FELDER & CO. THAT ITS INSIDE INFORMATION IS INVALID. IT IS OUR HOPE THAT HONEST AMERICAN REAL ESTATE AGENCIES AND LANDOWNERS WILL NOT BE HURT BY FELDER'S SCHEME AND THAT FELDER'S ACTION WILL NOT EVENTUALLY REFLECT UNFAVOURABLY ON ARABS."

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2. COPIES OF OBAID'S LETTER AND OF FELDER'S CIRCULARS  
BEING POUCHED TO NEA/ARP. REQUEST THAT EMBASSY BE  
INFORMED OF ACTION TAKEN.  
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